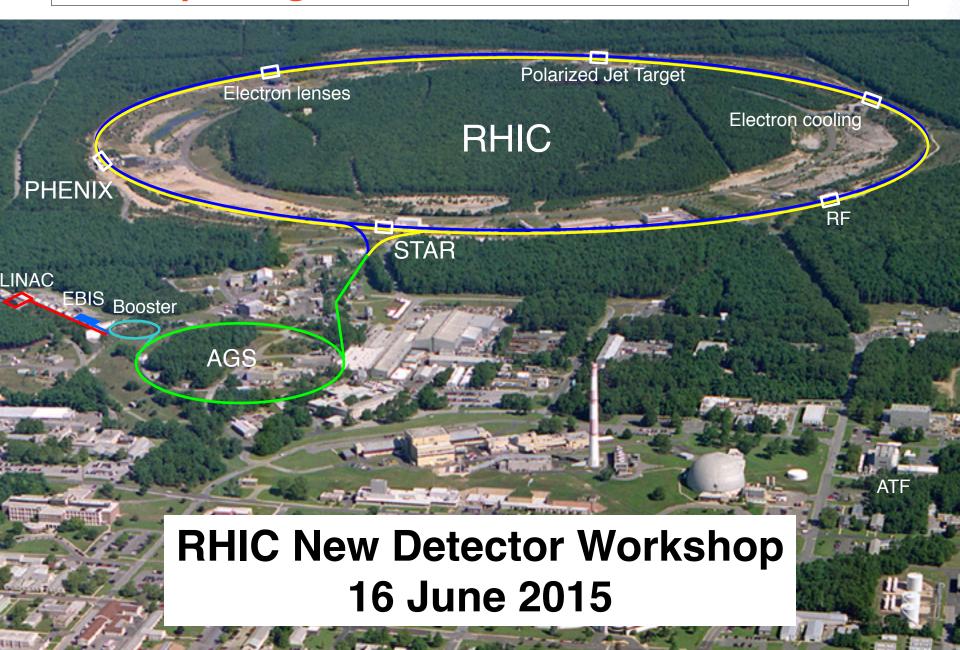
## Completing the Scientific Mission of RHIC



### The overarching scientific question:

How do asymptotically free quarks and gluons create the near-perfect liquidity of the QGP?

or

What degrees of freedom not manifest in the QCD Lagrangian produce the near-perfect liquidity of the QGP?

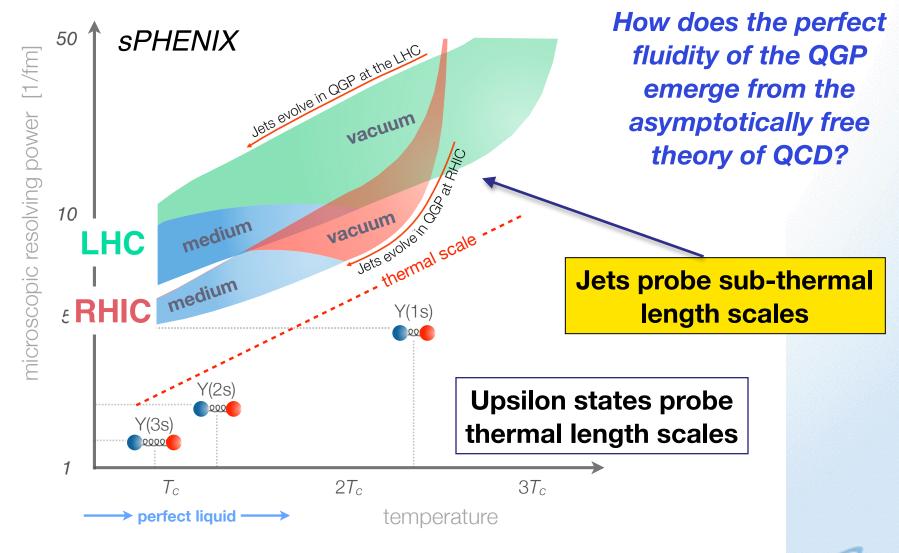
#### The (experimental) answer:

Deploy probes with a resolution that reaches well below the thermal ~ 1 fm scale of the bulk:

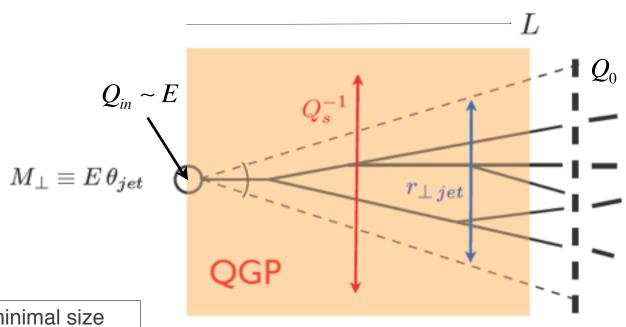
Jets & Upsilon states



# Probing scales in the medium



# Why jets are a good medium probe



Q<sub>s</sub>-1 = minimal size of probe to which the medium look opaque

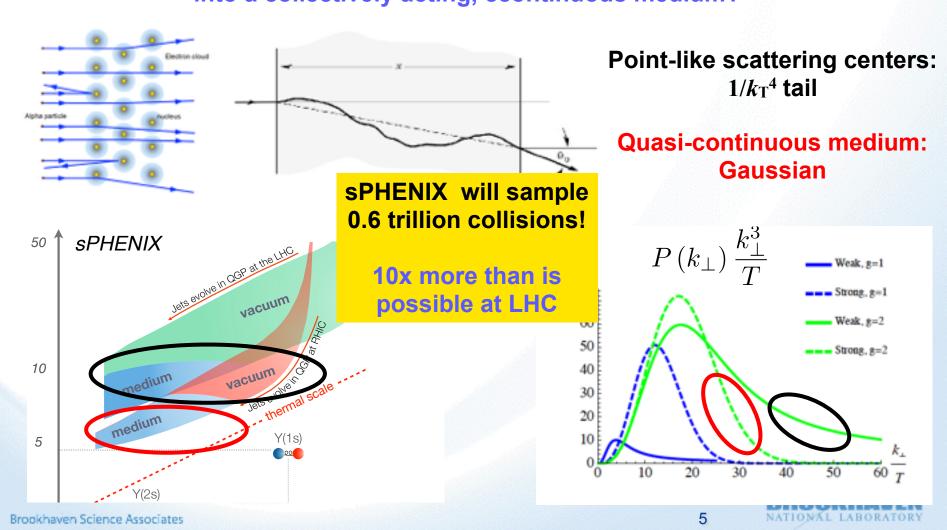
Momentum scale of medium Transverse size of jet

$$Q_{s} = \sqrt{qL} \approx m_{D} \sqrt{N_{\text{scatt}}}$$
$$r_{\perp \text{jet}} = \theta_{\text{jet}} L$$



#### "Rutherford" meets QGP

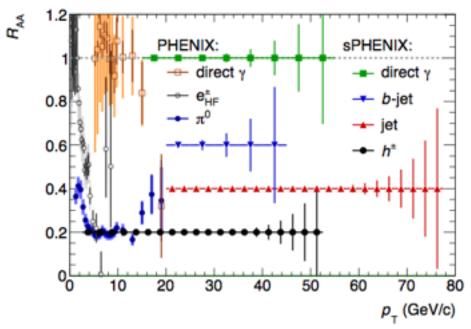
At what scale do discrete scattering centers "dissolve" into a collectively acting, ccontinuous medium?

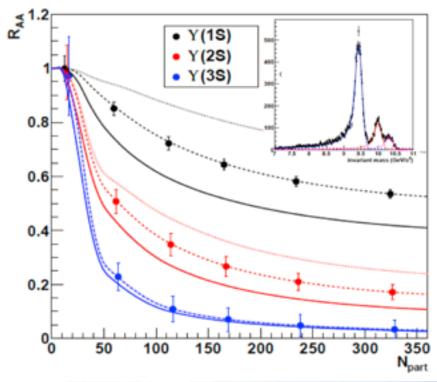


# **Jets & Upsilon states**

sPHENIX capabilities

Complete calorimetric jet spectroscopy





Completely resolved Upsilon spectroscopy



# The Strategy

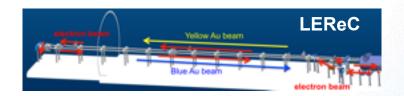
### Completing the RHIC mission in 3 campaigns

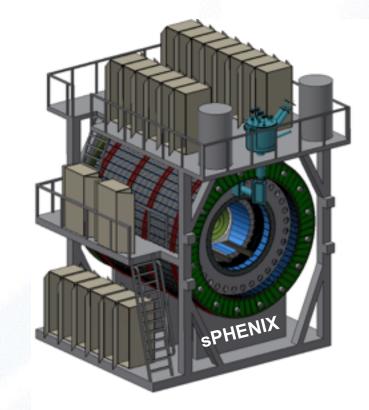
#### **Status:** RHIC-II configuration is complete

- Vertex detectors in STAR (HFT) and PHENIX
- Luminosity reaches 25x design luminosity

#### **Plan: Complete the RHIC mission** in 3 campaigns:

- 2014–17: Heavy flavor probes of the QGP using the micro-vertex detectors; Transverse spin physics
- 2018: Install low energy e-cooling
- 2019/20: High precision scan of the QCD phase diagram & search for critical point
- Install sPHENIX
- Probe QGP with precision measurements of jet quenching and Upsilon suppression
- Spin physics and initial conditions at forward rapidities with p+p and p+A collisions?
- Transition to eRHIC





RHIC remains a unique discovery facility



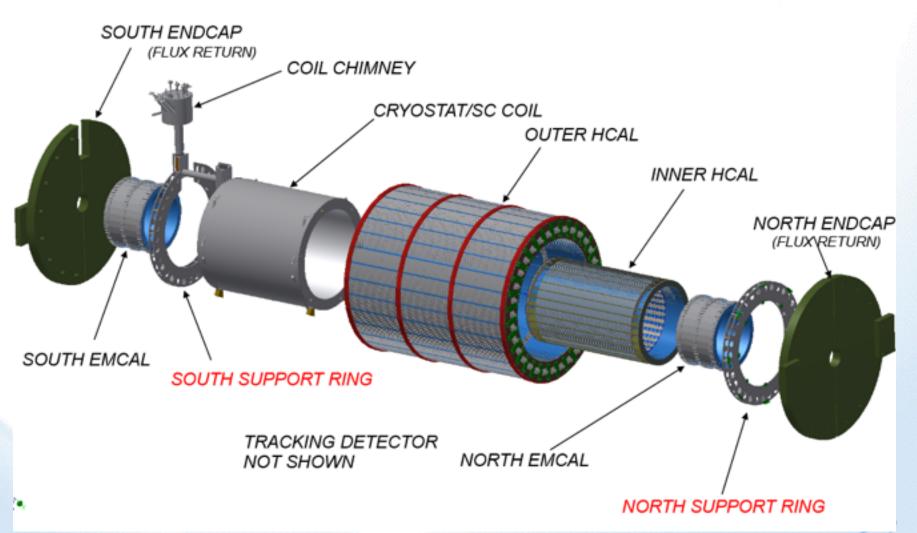
#### Completing the RHIC science mission

- A unique forefront science program with tremendous discovery potential that is ONLY possible with RHIC:
- Quantify the transport properties of the QGP near T<sub>c</sub> using heavy quarks as probes (together with LHC)
- Measure gluon and sea quark contributions to proton spin and explore coupled momentum-spin dynamics of QCD
- High statistics map of the QCD phase diagram, including possible discovery of a critical point
- Probe internal structure of the most liquid QGP using fully reconstructed jets and resolved Upsilon states as probes (together with LHC)
- Refine the physics program of an EIC with studies of polarized pp and pA collisions in forward kinematics
- RHIC enabled R&D to retire major risks of eRHIC design

# Proposed run schedule for RHIC

Years	Beam Species and	Science Goals	New Systems
2014	Au+Au at 15 GeV Au+Au at 200 GeV <sup>3</sup> He+Au at 200 GeV	Heavy flavor flow, energy loss, thermalization, etc. Quarkonium studies QCD critical point search	Electron lenses 56 MHz SRF STAR HFT STAR MTD
2015-16	p <sup>†</sup> +p <sup>†</sup> at 200 GeV p <sup>†</sup> +Au, p <sup>†</sup> +Al at 200 GeV High statistics Au+Au Au+Au at 62 GeV ?	Extract η/s(T) + constrain initial quantum fluctuations Complete heavy flavor studies Sphaleron tests Parton saturation tests	PHENIX MPC-EX STAR FMS preshower Roman Pots Coherent e-cooling test
2017	p : +p : at 510 GeV	Transverse spin physics Sign change in Sivers function	
2018	No Run		Low energy e-cooling install. STAR iTPC upgrade
2019-20	Au+Au at 5-20 GeV (BES-2)	Search for QCD critical point and onset of deconfinement	Low energy e-cooling
2021-22	Au+Au at 200 GeV p <sup>†</sup> +p <sup>†</sup> , p <sup>†</sup> +Au at 200 GeV	Jet, di-jet, γ-jet probes of parton transport and energy loss mechanism Color screening for different quarkonia Forward spin & initial state physics	sPHENIX Forward upgrades ?
≥ 2023 ?	No Runs		Transition to eRHIC

# sPHENIX exploded view



# BaBar magnet @ BNL



#### sPHENIX Cost/Schedule

- Science review July 2014
- Science review follow-up 30 April 2015
- Cost and schedule review in Spring 2016
- PHENIX ends data taking after Run 16
- BaBar magnet high-field test in mid 2016
- sPHENIX construction start in mid 2017
- sPHENIX installation: 2018 2020
- First RHIC run with sPHENIX in FY2021
- TPC: \$55-60M (FY15\$)
- Sources: Redirected RHIC operations funds
  - Expt. ops (PHENIX 2017-20), RHIC incremental run costs (2018)



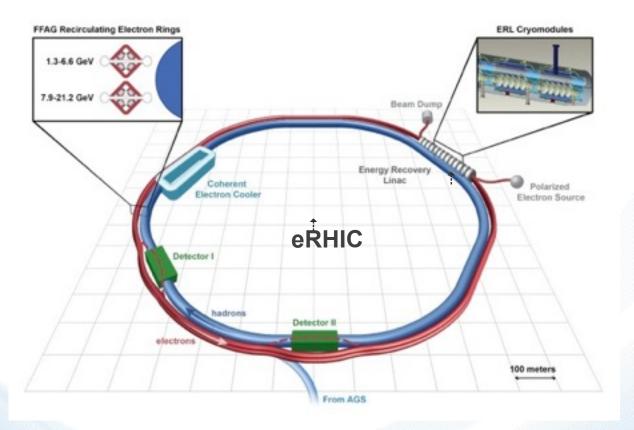
# Beyond RHIC



## eRHIC Design

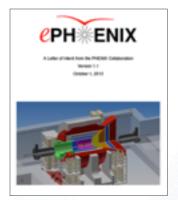
eRHIC ERL + ring design @ 10<sup>34</sup>/cm<sup>2</sup>s

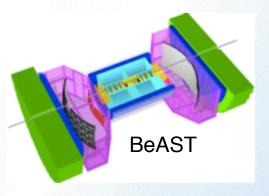
Up to 21.2 GeV e<sup>-</sup> + 255 GeV p or 100 GeV/u Au



When completed, eRHIC will be the most advanced and energy efficient accelerator in the world

#### **Detector Options**

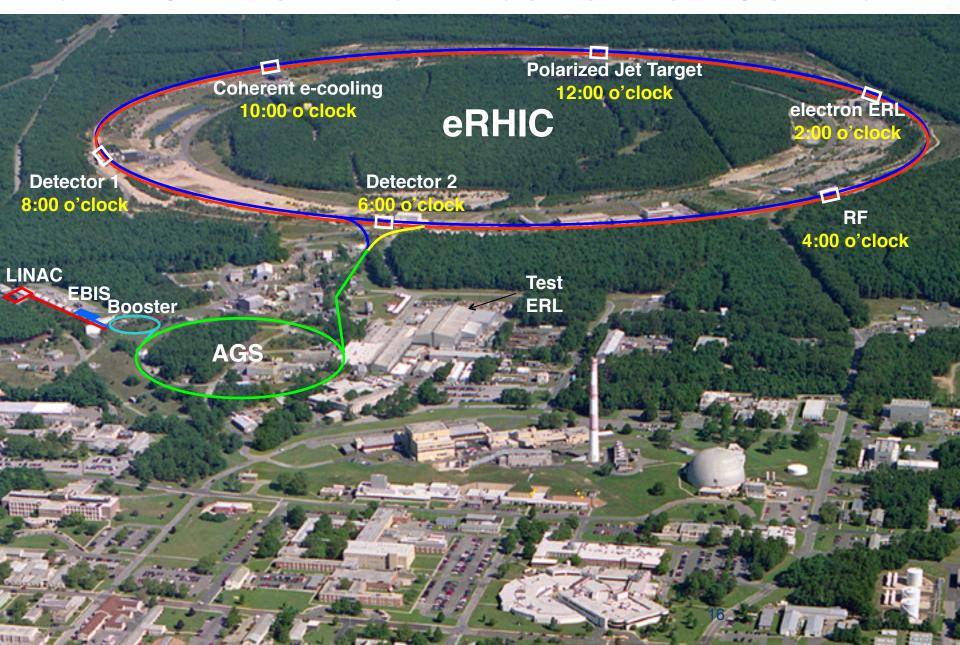




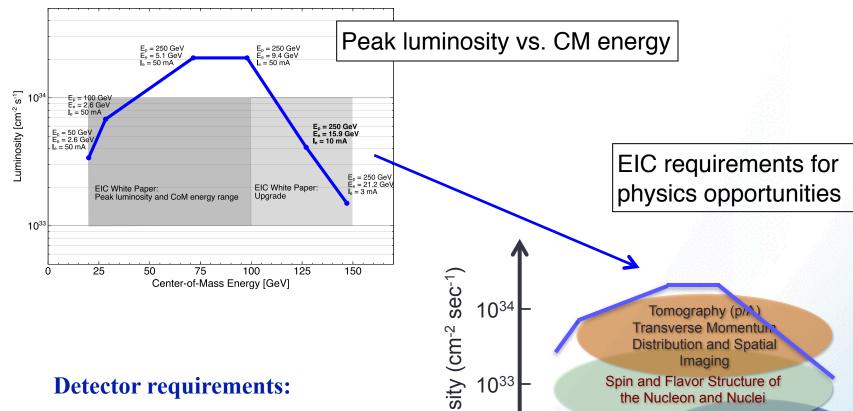




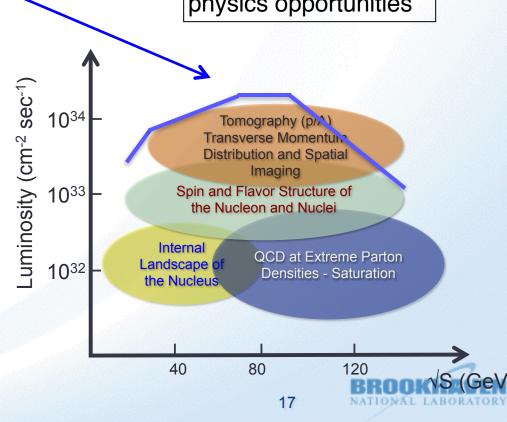
### eRHIC - Polarized Electron-Ion Collider



# Design goals match physics goals



- Good PID (e/h and  $\pi$ , K, p)
- Wide acceptance to reach edges of kinematic range
- Ongoing generic EIC detector R&D program



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# **RHIC Collaborations**



### **PHENIX**

PHENIX plans to end data taking after Run 16.

Anticipate decommissioning starting in mid-2016.

Data analysis to continue for several more years.

#### **STAR**

With recent upgrades, STAR has become an extraordinarily versatile and powerful detector. It is critical for the success of Run 17 and the second Beam Energy Scan in 2019/20.

#### Important near-term future upgrades:

- iTPC (with China, will be considered by PAC next week)
- STAR CBM TOF (under serious discussion)

#### What will happen after BES II?

- Concurrent data taking with sPHENIX without major upgrades?
- STAR runs with major upgrades for forward pp/pA/AA physics?
- IP6 becomes possible site of Day-2 EIC detector?
- Charge to STAR for draft proposal by mid-September and preliminary decision about possible path forward by mid-Fall 2015



# "sPHENIX" Detector Workshop

#### A Large-Acceptance Jet and Upsilon Detector for RHIC

- Information for those interested in joining a new collaboration for a detector around the BaBar magnet
- Discussion of collaboration forming process:
  - provisional IB formation
  - working groups
  - preparation of constitutive meeting in early Fall 2015
- Connection to community interested in Day-1 detector for EIC

Structured after HEP project - collaboration model: Collaboration owns the science; project team owns the CD process. Both need to work well together for success. New collaboration is open to all; no inherited rights from prior involvement in sPHENIX proposal.

# **Workshop Goals**

- Inform wider community about status of sPHENIX science and design / construction project
- Formation of working groups open to all interested scientists to develop and finalize design of major detector components:
  - EM and hadronic calorimeters
  - Tracking system
  - Electronics, DAQ, etc.
  - Requirements for conversion to an EIC detector
- Outline process toward formation of a new collaboration
- Formation of a provisional Institutional Board
- Schedule for constitutional collaboration meeting

